GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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HIRING OF PRIVATE DETECTIVE AGENCIES FOR FIGHTING TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government proposes to hire private detective agencies for fighting terrorism as reported in the Times of India and Hindu dated November 5, 2006;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the various intelligence agencies are not capable to detect information of terrorists; and

(d) If so, the reasons therefor and the extent to which the private detective agencies are likely to be more useful in checking crime and acts of terrorism by some persons?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b) : There is no proposal to hire private detective agencies for fighting terrorism. However, Government is considering enactment of a law to regulate the private detective agencies operating in the country.

(c) : The intelligence agencies are capable of detecting information on terrorists and many cases of terrorists plans have been detected in the past and continue to be detected.

(d) : Does not arise in view of (c) above.